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Please see the attached letter regarding the recommendation of Yucca Mountain as the National Radioactive Repository.

Thank you.

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Ms. Carol Hanlon
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Dear Ms. Hanlon:

I am writing to ask that the Department of Energy recommend to President George Bush that the site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada be designated the national repository for high-level radioactive waste and spent fuel.

Many years of effort have been spent on siting a national disposal facility, and the Department has had a suitable location identified for some time. Storing high-level radioactive waste at one appropriate location is a better option than continuing to accumulate spent nuclear fuel at more than 70 sites which were not designed for long term storage throughout the nation.

The nuclear industry has been handling, storing and transporting spent nuclear fuel for years and the containers used for these purposes have been designed and built to specifications that can withstand extreme conditions. These containers have been put through exhaustive testing and have an outstanding record of safety and performance.

The National Academy of Sciences recently affirmed that the geologic disposal is the only scientifically and technically credible solution to the high-level radioactive waste storage issue. The scientific evidence concludes that Yucca Mountain meets or exceeds the criteria for this type of facility.

For these reasons, I urge the Department to recommend the Yucca Mountain site to the President.

The protestations of a few misguided and misinformed extremists should not be allowed to further terrorize the country over this issue.

Sincerely,

Jonathan J. Skinner